

Amendments to the Specification

Please **add** the following **new** paragraph at page 1, line 3:

-- This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/EP03/51006, filed December 15, 2003, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on July 1, 2004 in French and which claims the benefit of French patent application No. 0215963, filed December 17, 2002. --